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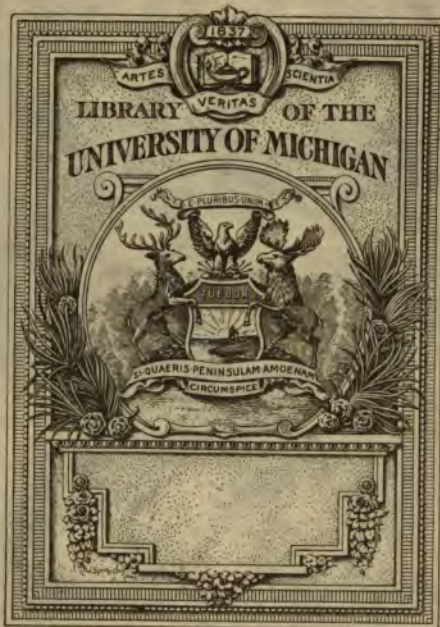
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## Organization of the Department.

JOHN B. MARTIN, *Commissioner.*

HERBERT S. CARRUTH,  
*Assistant Commissioner.*

HUBERT POPE,  
*Secretary.*

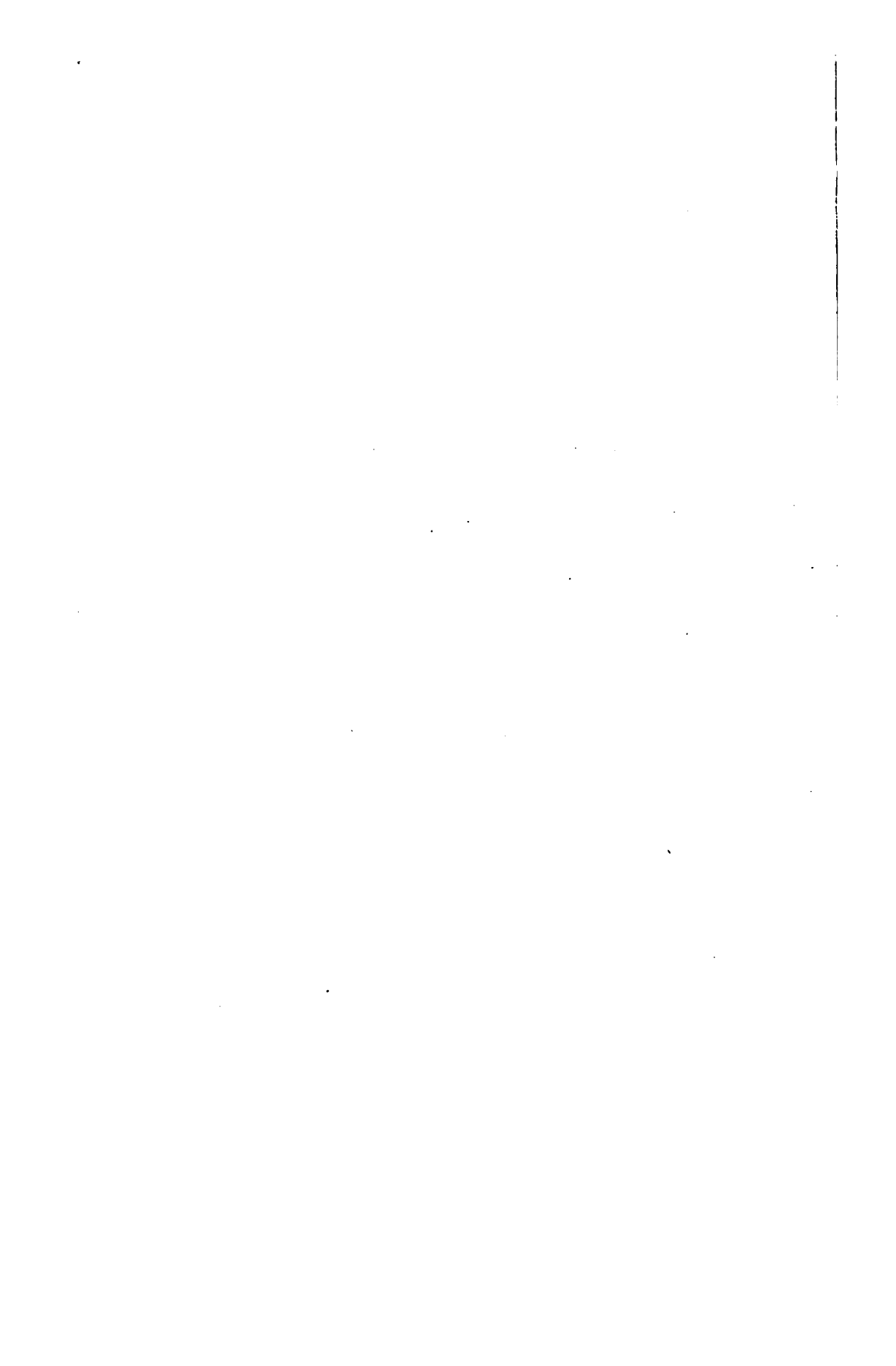
JAMES R. GERRISH, *Master.*

HOUSE OF CORRECTION . . . . . Deer Island.

FRED D. COOK, *Captain Steamer "Monitor."*

Records of the Department





PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT,  
32 TREMONT STREET, BOSTON, February 1, 1907.

HON. JOHN F. FITZGERALD,

*Mayor of the City of Boston:*

SIR, — As provided in chapter 3, section 24, of the Revised Ordinances, I respectfully submit the tenth annual report of the Penal Institutions Department.

This department has in its charge the House of Correction at Deer Island, the Steamer "Monitor" and Eastern Avenue wharf.

Items of expenditure, income, and actual cost are as follows:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

*Appropriations.*

House of Correction . . . . .	\$185,000 00
Office expenses . . . . .	20,000 00
Steamer "Monitor" . . . . .	23,000 00
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	\$228,000 00
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*Expenditures.*

House of Correction . . . . .	\$167,358 11
Office expenses . . . . .	19,929 71
Steamer "Monitor" . . . . .	22,929 37
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	\$210,217 19
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*House of Correction.*

Amounts deposited on account of income, year ending January 31, 1907 . . . . .	\$3,504 42
Actual income received, year ending January 31, 1907 . . . . .	<u>\$3,325 35</u>

## NET COST OF CONDUCTING HOUSE OF CORRECTION, 1906-07.

Expended.	Actual Income.	Net Cost.
\$167,358 11	\$3,325 35	\$164,032 76

TABLE SHOWING GROSS COST OF HOUSE OF CORRECTION  
LAST FIVE YEARS.

YEAR ENDING.	Jan. 31, 1903.	Jan. 31, 1904.	Jan. 31, 1905.	Jan. 31, 1906.	Jan. 31, 1907.
	\$153,655 70	\$184,649 62	\$194,461 86	\$122,342 43	\$167,358 11

The inmates of the House of Correction at South Boston were transferred to Deer Island in the fall of 1902, and since that time all prisoners who were formerly committed to the institution at South Boston have been committed to the House of Correction at Deer Island. This consolidation of the institutions has brought about a saving in expense, and the last full fiscal year, 1901-02, when the institutions were separate, the cost of maintenance with an average population of 1,349 was \$247,264.94; taking for comparison since consolidation the year 1904, on account of population, 1,395, being about the same as the year 1901-02, the cost was \$184,649.62, a saving of \$62,615.32, and the same average decrease in cost has continued up to the present time.

AVERAGE GROSS EXPENDITURE PER WEEK PER INMATE  
CLASSIFIED.

YEAR ENDING.	Average Number.	Salaries.	Subsistence.	Fuel and Lights.	Clothing and Bedding.	Repairs.	Agricultural.	Medical Supplies.	All other Items.	Total.
Jan. 31, 1903....	972	\$1 10	\$0 96	\$0 29	\$0 22	\$0 14	\$0 10	\$0 05	\$0 18	\$3 04
Jan. 31, 1904....	1,395	80	83	29	23	11	06	05	14	2 54
Jan. 31, 1905....	1,555	72	96	26	20	07	05	03	11	2 45
Jan. 31, 1906....	1,264	86	1 01	31	32	11	05	03	18	2 77
Jan. 31, 1907....	1,007	1 08	1 02	47	21	15	06	03	18	3 20

TABLE SHOWING NET COST PER WEEK PER INMATE FOR LAST FIVE YEARS.

YEAR ENDING.	Jan. 31, 1903.	Jan. 31, 1904.	Jan. 31, 1905.	Jan. 31, 1906.	Jan. 31, 1907.
	\$2 85	\$2 49	\$2 86	\$2 72	\$3 13 *

\* Deducting the net result of the industries for the year ending Jan. 31, 1907, the net cost would be \$3.08.

HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

*Classified Expenditures.*

Salaries and Wages :			
James R. Gerrish, Master	.	\$2,500 00	
Employees	.	54,180 50	
			\$56,680 50
Food	.		53,209 54
Ice	.		436 58
Clothing	.		8,832 29
Bedding	.		2,060 18
Furniture and upholstery and household supplies	.		4,092 49
Fuel	.		21,013 99
Light :			
Electric lights	.	\$3,544 71	
Oil	.	163 40	
			3,708 11
Medical and surgical supplies	.	\$1,511 16	
Liquors	.	194 60	
			1,705 76
Printing	.		211 97
Advertising	.		51 21
Stationery	.		230 64
Postage	.		301 37
Religious services	.		1,933 58
Instruction and amusement :			
Entertainment of inmates	.	\$73 25	
Library and school supplies	.	170 73	
			243 98
Disinfectants	.		273 51
Repairs and improvement	.		7,611 86
Agricultural	.		3,135 32
Freight	.		26 88
Transportation	.		6 00
Tobacco	.		189 05
Soap and laundry supplies	.		714 26
Telephones	.		138 00
Gratuities	.		491 04
Insurance	.		60 00
			\$167,358 11

## VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS AT THE HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

*Land.*

4,336,398 feet upland, value at 8c.	\$346,911 84
1,087,693 " flats, " 3c.	32,630 79
10,000 " solid wharf at \$1 .	10,000 00
16,900 " pile oak at \$1 .	16,900 00
3,600 " pile spruce at 50c.	1,800 00
Value . . . . .	<u>\$408,242 63</u>

*Buildings.*

North prison . . . . .	\$100,000 00
Central prison, including gas works and boiler-house . . . . .	300,000 00
Women's prison . . . . .	35,000 00
Laundry . . . . .	15,000 00
Bakery (brick) . . . . .	13,000 00
Bakery (addition) . . . . .	1,500 00
Coal sheds . . . . .	12,000 00
Receiving-house . . . . .	12,000 00
Mechanic's shop . . . . .	11,000 00
Engineer's house . . . . .	8,000 00
Vegetable shed (wood) . . . . .	7,000 00
Farmhouse (brick) . . . . .	6,500 00
School building . . . . .	7,000 00
Barn (wood) . . . . .	5,000 00
Straw shed and hennery . . . . .	1,000 00
Cow barn . . . . .	1,000 00
Boat house and wharf . . . . .	800 00
Ferry house . . . . .	700 00
Ice house . . . . .	2,000 00
Stone shed . . . . .	800 00
Piggery . . . . .	12,000 00
Hospital . . . . .	65,000 00
Blacksmith shop . . . . .	500 00
Pumping station . . . . .	5,000 00
Dynamos and building . . . . .	15,000 00
New prison . . . . .	380,000 00
	<u>1,016,800 00</u>
Total value . . . . .	<u>\$1,425,042 63</u>

## STOCK ON HAND, FEBRUARY 1, 1907.

Agricultural department . . . . .	\$12,326 00
Bakery . . . . .	272 00
Boat house . . . . .	800 00
<i>Carried forward</i> . . . . .	<u>\$13,398 00</u>

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$13,398 00
Caning department		40 00
Carpenter shop		600 00
Clothing (female)		2,760 00
Clothing (male)		6,483 00
Clothing department		9,811 65
Cooper shop		50 00
Engineer's department		9,574 00
General care (inmates)		17,500 00
General care (officers)		6,500 00
Hospital (dispensary)		1,500 00
Hospital (inmates)		2,617 50
Hospital (officers)		1,850 00
Laundry department		1,500 00
Library department		1,470 00
Miscellaneous		800 00
Paint shop		424 26
Piggery		1,050 00
Sewing-room (female)		1,500 00
Sewing-room (male)		7,500 00
Shoe shop		1,346 50
Stone department		5,480 75
Store		4,564 45
Subsistence		3,472 00
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		\$101,792 11
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NEW HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

Appropriation		\$480,000 00
Expenditures:		
Mack & Moore, general contract-		
ors (in full)	\$373,496 12	
A. Warren Gould, architect (in		
full)	23,509 24	
E. C. Lewis, electrical contract		
(in full)	23,426 90	
A. A. Sanborn, boiler and pipe		
work contract (in full)	8,376 00	
Lumber, lime, brick and cement,	6,505 01	
Thos. W. Byrne, electrical con-		
tract (in full)	4,372 00	
Salary of clerk of work	3,910 00	
Hodge Boiler Works, boiler con-		
tract (in full)	3,586 00	
Boston Water Department, pipe		
and connections	3,350 92	
Fitting up laundry and machinery		
for same	3,111 57	
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$453,643 76	\$480,000 00

<i>Brought forward</i> . . . . .	\$453,643 76	\$480,000 00
Walker & Pratt Manufacturing Co. . . . .	1,759 00	
Furniture and furnishings . . . . .	1,711 50	
Sewer pipe and bends . . . . .	1,322 62	
French & Hubbard, engineers . . . . .	948 10	
Clifford H. Young & Co., blue prints . . . . .	734 20	
Plumbing and steamfitting supplies . . . . .	546 92	
Advertising for proposals . . . . .	544 09	
Chas. F. Chadwick, moving and re-erecting, cleaning and repairing organ from South Boston House of Correction . . . . .	500 00	
Hardware and paint stock . . . . .	417 00	
Printing Department, specifications . . . . .	408 94	
Keniston Engineering Co. . . . .	377 80	
C. E. Horn, hand elevator . . . . .	365 22	
G. W. & F. Smith Iron Co., chimney cap . . . . .	221 00	
J. L. & H. K. Potter, sprinkler wagon . . . . .	190 00	
Ames Plow Co. — plow, \$19.79; roller, \$118.64 . . . . .	138 43	
A. Sorensen, lightering . . . . .	125 00	
Blodgett Clock Co. . . . .	125 00	
H. H. Harvey, contractor's supplies . . . . .	115 22	
James Gurney & Co., castings . . . . .	67 37	
Thos. J. Flynn & Co., altar furnishings . . . . .	66 10	
Aberthaw Construction Co., steel . . . . .	55 33	
Chapman & Soden, roofing felt, . . . . .	46 66	
E. A. Pinnock, typewriting . . . . .	34 00	
Herrick Co., sheet copper . . . . .	33 30	
Badger & Sons, copper cap . . . . .	30 00	
Jackson & Newton Co., windows, . . . . .	15 40	
Miscellaneous altar furnishings, Wetmore-Savage Co., electrical fittings . . . . .	6 70	
Teaming furniture . . . . .	3 00	
F. O. Dewey Co., lanterns . . . . .	3 00	
Account of House of Correction, South Boston:		
Salaries . . . . .	\$168 00	
<i>Carried forward</i> . . . . .	\$168 00	\$464,566 26 \$480,000 00

PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT.

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<i>Brought forward.</i>	\$168 00	\$464,566 26	\$480,000 00
Advertising sale of property . . .	358 32		
Gas . . . . .	5 50		
Stationery and postage . . . . .	94		
Telephone . . . . .	8 75		
Street Department, Paving Division . . . . .	949 55		
	<u>          </u>	1,491 06	
		<u>          </u>	466,057 32
Balance . . . . .			<u><u>\$13,942 68</u></u>

OFFICE EXPENSES.

*Classified.*

Salaries :			
John B. Martin, Commissioner . . . . .	\$5,000 00		
Herbert S. Carruth, Assistant Commissioner . . . . .	2,500 00		
Employees . . . . .	11,474 12		
	<u>          </u>		\$18,974 12
Transportation . . . . .			332 70
Office expenses . . . . .			16 19
Stationery . . . . .			106 60
Postage . . . . .			138 30
Telephone . . . . .			121 73
Printing . . . . .			240 07
			<u><u>\$19,929 71</u></u>

STEAMER "MONITOR."

*Classified Expenditures.*

Salaries . . . . .	\$12,446 13
Fuel . . . . .	3,453 50
Repairs . . . . .	2,008 95
Repairs on wharf . . . . .	75 46
Dock rent . . . . .	4,000 00
Printing . . . . .	38 76
Chandlery and supplies . . . . .	371 57
Telephone and tolls . . . . .	109 10
Electric lights . . . . .	16 90
Steamer hire . . . . .	380 00
Water . . . . .	15 00
Furnishings . . . . .	14 00
	<u><u>\$22,929 37</u></u>



Accounts deposited on account of income . . . . .			<u>\$3 99</u>
Income received . . . . .			<u>\$3 99</u>
	Expended.	Actual Income.	Net Cost.
	\$22,929 37	\$3 99	\$22,925 38

## INSTITUTIONS NEW BOAT.

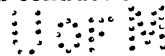
Appropriation . . . . .		\$75,000 00
Expenditures :		
Lockwood Mfg. Co., contractors,	\$68,865 22	
Wm. T. Keough, engineer . . . . .	4,000 99	
Warren Steam Pump Co. . . . .	275 00	
Miscellaneous furnishings . . . . .	238 13	
H. W. Coltman & Co., stock and labor . . . . .	160 85	
Printing Department, contracts and specifications . . . . .	155 49	
Atlantic Works, docking and labor . . . . .	124 90	
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe and fittings,	113 34	
Lane & De Goot Co., life raft . . . . .	95 00	
Wm. McKie, stock and labor . . . . .	90 59	
Advertising for proposals . . . . .	87 21	
Chas. Cory & Son, mechanical telegraph . . . . .	74 48	
Universal Safety Tread Co. . . . .	60 00	
Robert W. Hunt & Co., inspecting and testing material . . . . .	49 60	
Boston Towboat Co. . . . .	30 00	
Ridgway Dynamo and Engine Co., stock and labor . . . . .	23 00	
Curtis & Pope Lumber Co., stock . . . . .	13 75	
E. F. Butler & Co., plumbing material . . . . .	12 40	
Andrew A. Magnus, stock and labor,	5 00	
Keniston Engineering Co., labor . . . . .	3 00	
Reynolds Bros., carting . . . . .	3 00	
Fitz, Dana & Co., sheet copper . . . . .	1 75	
		<u>74,482 70</u>
Balance . . . . .		<u>\$517 30</u>

EXHIBIT OF INDUSTRY ACCOUNTS, HOUSE OF CORRECTION, YEAR  
ENDING JANUARY 31, 1907.

<i>Dr.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
Stock on hand, February 1, 1906 . . . \$30,738 64	Cash received during year ending January 31, 1907 . . . \$77,064 35
Outstanding accounts, February 1, 1906 . . . 15,871 96	Outstanding accounts, February 1, 1907 . . . 12,628 21
Expended during year ending January 31, 1907 . . . . . 56,121 82	Stock on hand, January 31, 1907 . . . . . 15,585 18
\$102,732 42	
Balance . . . . . 2,545 32	
\$105,277 74	\$105,277 74

The number of commitments to the House of Correction at Deer Island during the past year was 6,606 males and 927 females, making a total of 7,533. As compared with the total commitments last year of 9,232, a loss of 1,699. The daily average was 1,007, as compared with 1,264 last year, a decrease of 257. Of this number 4,960 males and 732 females, a total of 5,692, were committed for drunkenness; for other various offences than drunkenness 1,646 males and 195 females, making a total of 1,841; of the total number, 3,154 males and 126 females, a total of 3,280, were committed for non-payment of fines, aggregating \$24,624; and of the committals for non-payment of fines, 2,878 were for drunkenness and 402 for other offences; 438 males and 17 females, a total of 455, paid fines amounting to \$3,712. These figures are evidences of the improved moral condition in our community due to the present activity in all kinds of business and the larger and increased demand for labor, as well as to our present probation laws.

There were released during the year on probation 554 males and 226 females, making a total of 780; of this number 110 were released upon the recommendation of the Probation Officer, District Attorney, and the judge of the local courts. There were returned to the institution because of revocation of the Commissioner's permit to be at liberty 14 males and 24 females, making a total of 38. Release on probation is granted by the Commissioner for good conduct in



prison and evidence of reform in the prisoner. There is no obligation on the prisoner attached to their release, other than their own honor to live up to the provisions of the permit; they are not obliged to report at this office, nor is their conduct or behavior looked after by any officer connected with this department, and it is indeed gratifying to feel that under these circumstances so many have given substantial evidence of entire reformation.

Chapter 225, section 121, of the Revised Laws, allows an inmate of our institution to make application for release on probation to the Commissioner, which is forwarded to the Probation Officer of the county, permission having been given to him to investigate the case, and if he is satisfied that the prospect of reformation of the prisoner is good, his recommendation, endorsed by the District Attorney, is necessary before release can be granted. Three hundred and two applications from prisoners were made in this way—110 were approved, and 192 disapproved; the law does not require any reason to be given to prisoners for disapproval of application. When a prisoner is sentenced to our institution it is understood by him that the law permits him to make application for release in this manner, but unless his conduct is good the application will not be forwarded to the Probation Officer. Many prisoners believe that this probation law was intended to shorten their sentence if their conduct in prison was good, and if they showed some prospect of being able to care for themselves and a desire to live a better life if released; and because of this anticipation of their sentence being shortened they are more anxious to live up to the rules, which accounts in a great measure for the good discipline at our institution.

In addition to the releases on probation from the House of Correction at Deer Island, there were also released from the Suffolk County Jail, by permit of the Commissioner, 34 males and 4 females, making a total of 38.

This report will show 3,154 males and 126 females, a total of 3,280, committed for non-payment of fines. In my report previous to last year I called attention to the fact that chapter 220, sections 1 and 2, of the Revised Laws, gives the committing magistrate the power to place these cases under the charge of the Probation Officer, giving them such proper time as is necessary in which to pay the fines imposed, and an opportunity to earn something to support themselves, and in most cases to help support dependent families. My opinion in this matter has not changed, and I believe that if this good and just provision of the law was carried into effect,

as intended, the expense to the county in caring for these people would be very much reduced, and a better result to the individual and to the community would be obtained.

There were 263 males and 67 females, making a total of 330, admitted to the Observation Hospital at Deer Island during the past year. In my opinion, and as I have suggested in previous reports, some hospital should be provided to care for these cases other than a prison hospital.

Religious services, Catholic and Protestant, are held as usual. The Catholic services are now conducted by the Rev. William J. Scanlan, S.J., who is continuing the good work done by his predecessor, the Rev. William J. Richley, S.J., who has acted as chaplain at the institution for the past three years.

The work on the reservoir has progressed favorably, and it is expected to have it completed this year.

We have continued during the year the extension of the electric lighting service, and all the buildings at Deer Island are now equipped with electric lights. An additional boiler has been added to the power plant.

Mrs. Florence Garretson Spooner, Secretary of the Women's Prison Reform League, continues her good work among the women inmates at our institution.

The steamer "Monitor," in addition to carrying a large amount of freight to the different islands, has carried a total of 109,044 passengers, an increase of 1,486 over the previous year.

The following changes have taken place in the consulting medical staff and the resident medical staff of the Deer Island Hospital: Dr. Alexander Quackenboss, who had served on the consulting medical staff since its organization, as Ophthalmologist, resigned in November last, owing to the pressure of private business. He has given his time gratuitously and freely, and we regret very much the loss of his valuable services. Dr. John C. Bossidy has been appointed to succeed him. Dr. Joseph H. H. Kelley, who held the position of assistant physician at the hospital, resigned June 30, 1906, to take up private practice. He had been connected with the department for more than three years, and he has given good service. We extend to him our best wishes for success. Dr. Bernard F. McGaffigan, interne at the hospital, was appointed to fill his position. Dr. Harvey A. Kelley was appointed on recommendation of the consulting medical staff of the hospital as interne on July 1, 1906, to take the place formerly held by Dr. McGaffigan.

The health of the inmates and the discipline of the institution have been excellent during the past year.

Frequent visits to the institution at Deer Island are made by the Commissioner and his assistant, and all inmates who desire are granted an opportunity to see them.

All divisions of the department are in good condition, and the cost of maintenance shows the satisfactory manner in which the various officials connected with this department have performed their duties.

Very respectfully,

JOHN B. MARTIN,  
*Commissioner.*

## HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

DEER ISLAND,  
BOSTON HARBOR, February 1, 1907.

HON. JOHN B. MARTIN,

*Penal Institutions Commissioner :*

DEAR SIR,—I respectfully submit the annual report of this House of Correction for the year ending January 31, 1907.

The following table shows the farm products :

Apples . . . . .	60 barrels.
Beans . . . . .	110 bushels.
Beets, mangle . . . . .	150 tons.
“ table . . . . .	400 bushels.
Cabbages . . . . .	10,000 heads.
Carrots . . . . .	17 tons.
Celery . . . . .	6,000 bunches.
Chickens . . . . .	145 heads.
Corn, green fodder . . . . .	20 tons.
“ sweet . . . . .	250 bushels.
Cucumbers . . . . .	30 “
Currants . . . . .	110 boxes.
Ducks . . . . .	10 heads.
Eggs . . . . .	650 dozen.
Ensilage . . . . .	200 tons.
Grapes . . . . .	5 bushels.
Greens, beet . . . . .	10 “
“ cabbage . . . . .	40 “
“ spinach . . . . .	75 “
Hay . . . . .	60 tons.
Ice . . . . .	500 “
Lettuce . . . . .	1,400 heads.
Manure . . . . .	175 cords.
Milk . . . . .	84,552 quarts.
Oat fodder . . . . .	15 tons.
Onions . . . . .	900 bushels.
Parsley . . . . .	100 bunches.
Pears . . . . .	110 bushels.
Peas . . . . .	65 “
Radishes . . . . .	80 bunches.
Raspberries . . . . .	100 boxes.
Squash . . . . .	10 tons.
Strawberries . . . . .	850 boxes.
Tomatoes . . . . .	800 bushels.

Turnips, purple tops . . . . .	975 bushels.
“ ruta-baga . . . . .	100 “
“ white egg . . . . .	600 “
Wood . . . . .	40 cords.

The report of the piggery is as follows :

Pork slaughtered, 41,650 pounds @ 7½c. . . . .	\$3,019 62
Sale of live pigs . . . . .	801 20
Sale of bones and grease . . . . .	162 65
Manure, 190 cords @ \$2.15 . . . . .	408 50
Soft soap, 1,280 hogsheads @ \$5 . . . . .	6,400 00
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	\$10,791 97
Cost of soap stock . . . . .	56 23
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	<u>\$10,735 74</u>

The following articles of clothing, etc., have been made during the year: For use of male prisoners, 396 liberty coats, 596 liberty vests, 631 liberty pants, 428 institution coats, 618 institution vests, 1,075 institution pants, 8 overcoats, 129 dozen overalls, 1,013 dozen suspenders, 22 dozen waiters' coats, 1 dozen carpenters' aprons, 14 dozen night-shirts, 44 dozen cotton shirts, 221 dozen flannel shirts, 26 dozen cotton drawers, 481 dozen pairs socks; for use of female prisoners, 982 chemises, 954 pairs drawers, 385 skirts, 883 dresses, 735 shirt-waists, 189 tires, 973 aprons, 302 night-dresses, 200 head handkerchiefs; for general use, 279 stand covers, 18 hair-cloths, 1,399 sheets, 1,292 pillow-slips, 2,052 towels, 698 roller-towels, 432 bed-ticks, 109 pillow-ticks, 69 coffee bags, 120 clothes bags, 450 bean bags, 150 machine covers, 53 table cloths, 23 curtains, 39 bed-spreads and 38 meat cloths.

In the stone department we cut 15,110 feet of edgestones, 37 large corners, 46 small corners and 2 catch-basins. From this department we shipped 37,026 feet of edgestone, 100 small corners and 50 large corners.

The output of the clothing department industries has been 19,170 dozen overalls and 1,004 dozen coats.

The shoe department has manufactured 1,084 pairs men's shoes, 324 pairs women's shoes and 648 pairs slippers.

I have received and paid to the County Collector the sum of \$3,712 for 465 fines paid during the year.

Respectfully,

JAMES R. GERRISH,

*Master.*

STATISTICAL TABLES.

TABLE No. 1.

*Showing Population for Year Ending January 31, 1907.*

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Remaining January 31, 1906.....	983	203	1,186
Committed during the year.....	6,606	927	7,533
	7,589	1,130	8,719
Discharged during the year.....	6,752	998	7,750
Remaining January 31, 1907.....	837	132	969
Children of sentenced mothers:			
Remaining January 31, 1906.....	2	2	4
Admitted during the year.....	3	7	10
	5	9	14
Discharged during the year.....	* 5	7	12
Remaining January 31, 1907.....	.....	2	2

\* One died.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
For drunkenness.....	4,960	732	5,692
For other offences.....	1,646	185	1,831
For non-payment of fine.....	3,154	126	3,280



TABLE No. 2.

*Showing Number of Prisoners Committed each Month.*

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Remaining January 31, 1906.....	988	208	1,186
Committed in February.....	520	66	586
"    March.....	566	86	652
"    April.....	624	75	699
"    May.....	548	88	636
"    June.....	617	78	690
"    July.....	522	80	602
"    August.....	564	90	654
"    September.....	584	93	677
"    October.....	521	97	618
"    November.....	557	57	614
"    December.....	502	51	553
"    January.....	481	71	552
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>7,589</b>	<b>1,130</b>	<b>8,719</b>
Discharged during the year.....	6,752	998	7,750
Remaining January 31, 1907.....	887	132	969

TABLE No. 3.

*Showing Number of Prisoners Discharged each Month.*

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Discharged in February.....	561	87	648
“ March.....	653	96	749
“ April.....	606	68	674
“ May.....	617	97	714
“ June.....	603	69	672
“ July.....	551	82	633
“ August.....	546	93	639
“ September.....	562	101	663
“ October.....	567	85	652
“ November.....	461	78	539
“ December.....	524	70	594
“ January.....	501	72	573
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>6,752</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>7,750</b>

TABLE No. 4.

*Daily Average.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
February.....	940	187	1,127
March .....	927	177	1,104
April .....	876	170	1,046
May.....	885	174	1,009
June.....	799	168	967
July.....	807	170	977
August.....	771	165	936
September .....	824	167	991
October.....	781	170	951
November.....	814	163	977
December.....	852	146	998
January.....	862	141	1,003
Maximum population.....	940	187	1,127
Minimum population.....	771	165	936
Daily average for the year.....	841	166	1,007

TABLE No. 5.  
*Showing how Discharged.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
By expiration of sentence.....	5,606	744	6,350
Pardoned by the Commissioner.....	554	226	780
By payment of fine.....	438	17	455
Transferred to Temporary Industrial Camp for Prisoners.....	79	.....	79
Order of Court after three months; fine not paid.....	18	6	24
Transferred to Massachusetts Reforma- tory .....	15	.....	15
Died.....	11	4	15
By expiration of sentence and payment of fine .....	7	.....	7
Order of Court.....	6	.....	6
Permit of Prison Commissioners.....	5	.....	5
Escaped.....	3	.....	3
Permit of State Board of Charity.....	3	.....	3
By payment of fine and bailed.....	2	.....	2
Transferred to Norfolk County House of Correction.....	1	.....	1
Bailed .....	1	.....	1
By expiration of sentence and order of Court after three months; fine not paid.....	1	.....	1
Pardoned by the Governor.....	1	.....	1
By payment of fine and permit of the Commissioner.....	.....	1	1
By order of the United States Circuit Court.....	1	.....	1
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>6,752</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>7,750</b>

TABLE No. 6.

*Showing Number of Times Persons Committed during the Year have been Committed to this House of Correction.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
First .....	2,253	264	2,517
Second .....	970	121	1,091
Third .....	580	84	664
Fourth .....	395	66	461
Fifth .....	305	56	361
Sixth .....	248	53	301
Seventh .....	220	37	257
Eighth .....	187	36	223
Ninth .....	153	28	181
Tenth .....	146	24	170
Eleventh .....	117	20	137
Twelfth .....	109	21	130
Thirteenth to one hundred and thirty-fourth .....	923	117	1,040
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>6,606</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>7,533</b>

**TABLE No. 7.**  
*Showing Whence Committed.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Municipal Court (Central).....	2,862	596	3,458
Roxbury District Court.....	711	74	785
South Boston District Court.....	693	75	768
Charlestown District Court.....	541	28	569
Chelsea Police Court.....	447	23	470
Superior (Criminal) Court.....	386	58	444
Dorchester District Court.....	341	2	343
East Boston District Court.....	305	36	341
Brighton District Court.....	157	4	161
West Roxbury District Court.....	125	6	131
By revocation of the Commissioner's permit.....	14	24	38
United States Circuit Court.....	12	.....	12
By revocation of the Prison Commis- sioners' permit.....	4	1	5
Transferred from State Farm.....	3	.....	3
Returned from escape.....	3	.....	3
Transferred from Massachusetts Re- formatory.....	1	.....	1
Transferred from Suffolk County Jail..	1	.....	1
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>6,606</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>7,533</b>

TABLE No. 8.

*Showing Ages of Those Committed.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 20 years .....	176	8	184
20 to 29 years, inclusive.....	1,393	216	1,609
30 to 39 " " .....	2,167	313	2,480
40 to 49 " " .....	1,724	236	1,960
50 to 59 " " .....	795	104	899
60 to 69 " " .....	292	37	329
70 to 79 " " .....	54	13	67
80 to 89 " " .....	5	.....	5
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>6,606</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>7,533</b>

TABLE No. 9.

*Color.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
White.....	6,426	869	7,295
Black.....	178	58	236
Red .....	2	.....	2
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>6,606</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>7,533</b>

TABLE No. 10.

*Social Relations.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Married .....	1,735	487	2,222
Single.....	4,871	440	5,311
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>6,606</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>7,533</b>

TABLE No. 11.

*Education.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Could read and write.....	5,946	711	6,657
Could read only.....	27	3	30
Could neither read nor write.....	633	213	846
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>6,606</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>7,533</b>

TABLE No. 12.

*Nativity.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Massachusetts.....	2,784	263	3,047
United States other than Massachusetts.....	760	134	894
Foreign countries .....	3,062	530	3,592
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>6,606</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>7,533</b>



TABLE No. 13.

*Showing Industrial Relations.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Baker .....	49	.....	49
Barber .....	127	.....	127
Blacksmith.....	66	.....	66
Bricklayer .....	34	.....	34
Butcher .....	40	.....	40
Carpenter.....	154	.....	154
Clerk .....	115	.....	115
Cook.....	96	35	131
Cooper .....	18	.....	18
Currier.....	20	.....	20
Domestic.....	.....	465	465
Electrician .....	17	.....	17
Engineer.....	40	.....	40
Farmer .....	104	.....	104
Fireman .....	137	.....	137
Gardener.....	53	.....	53
Hostler .....	148	.....	148
Housewife .....	.....	334	334
Laborer .....	2,031	.....	2,031
Lather.....	25	.....	25
Laundress .....	.....	45	45
Machinist.....	135	.....	135
Mason .....	53	.....	53
Moulder .....	23	.....	23
Painter .....	273	.....	273
<i>Carried forward</i> .....	3,758	879	4,637

TABLE No. 13. — *Concluded.*

	Males.	Females.	Total.
<i>Brought forward</i> .....	3,758	879	4,637
Pedler .....	83	.....	83
Plasterer.....	34	.....	34
Plumber.....	58	.....	58
Printer.....	81	.....	81
Sailor.....	128	.....	128
Shoemaker.....	160	.....	160
Steamfitter .....	52	.....	52
Stone-cutter.....	26	.....	26
Tailor.....	48	.....	48
Teamster .....	791	.....	791
Tinsmith.....	3	.....	3
Waiter.....	152	.....	152
Waitress.....	.....	13	13
Other occupations.....	1,232	35	1,267
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>6,606</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>7,533</b>

## REPORT OF RESIDENT PHYSICIAN.

BOSTON HARBOR, February 1, 1907.

JAMES R. GERRISH, ESQ.,

*Master House of Correction, Deer Island:*

SIR, — The annual report of the medical department of the Institution under your charge is respectfully submitted.

## OBSERVATION HOSPITAL.

Patients in Hospital, February 1, 1906 . . . . .	14
Admitted:	
Males . . . . .	263
Females . . . . .	67
	—
	330
Total . . . . .	<u>*344</u>
Discharged . . . . .	310
Died . . . . .	14
	—
	324
Remaining in Hospital, February 1, 1907 . . . . .	20
	—
	<u>344</u>
Largest number in Hospital at one time . . . . .	29
Smallest " " " " . . . . .	7
Daily average . . . . .	19

## HOUSE OF CORRECTION HOSPITAL.

Patients in Hospital, February 1, 1906 . . . . .	74
Admitted:	
Males . . . . .	949
Females . . . . .	486
	—
	1,435
Total . . . . .	<u>1,509</u>
Discharged . . . . .	1,427
Died . . . . .	15
	—
	1,442
Remaining in Hospital, February 1, 1907 . . . . .	67
	—
	<u>1,509</u>

\*Thirty-six were prisoners who remained overtime.

PENAL INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT. 27

Largest number in Hospital at one time . . . . .	83
Smallest " " " " . . . . .	49
Daily average . . . . .	64

RECAPITULATION.

Patients in Hospital, February 1, 1906 :	
Observation Hospital . . . . .	14
House of Correction Hospital . . . . .	74
	— 88
Admitted :	
Observation Hospital . . . . .	330
House of Correction Hospital . . . . .	1,435
	— 1,765
Total . . . . .	<u>1,853</u>
Discharged :	
Observation Hospital . . . . .	310
House of Correction Hospital . . . . .	1,427
	— 1,737
Died :	
Observation Hospital . . . . .	14
House of Correction Hospital . . . . .	15
	— 29
Remaining in Hospital, February 1, 1907 :	
Observation Hospital . . . . .	20
House of Correction Hospital . . . . .	67
	— 87
Total . . . . .	<u>1,853</u>

The following is a list of patients that have been sent to other public institutions :

*State Hospitals.*

	Male.	Female.
Prisoners .....	4	1

*State Hospital for Insane.*

	Male.	Female.
Prisoners .....	5	2
Observation cases .....	13	5
Totals .....	18	7

One male prisoner was sent to Foxboro.

Six thousand and ninety-eight out-patients have been treated, and forty-one thousand two hundred and one treatments have been given to out-patients.

Two prisoners who remained overtime died — one of pneumonia and one of nephritis.

Twelve children have been treated at the hospital; of these one died of marasmus.

Two births, one male and one female, have been reported since last year's account was submitted.

Dentists from Tufts Dental School have made regular visits, helping the work materially.

Drs. Carson and Gay are still associated with us in our work.

Thanking you for the kindness and many favors received, I am,

Yours respectfully,

ALBERT A. TAFT,  
*Resident Physician.*

## REPORT OF THE CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN.

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HOUSE OF CORRECTION, DEER ISLAND,  
BOSTON HARBOR, February 1, 1907.

MR. JAMES R. GERRISH, *Master* :

DEAR SIR, — I beg leave to submit my annual report as Catholic Chaplain of Deer Island.

First of all, I am happy to say that my relations with all on the island have been most pleasant and agreeable.

I have found the officers courteous and obliging. Dr. Taft and his staff, Drs. Carson, Gay, McGaffigan and Kelly, have been exceptionally kind and attentive. The doctors have kindly notified me of every case of sickness where my services were required. I must add, too, and I do so with pleasure, that the matrons and nurses have been very kind and attentive.

I say two masses and give two instructions every Sunday and Holy day of obligation — one at the women's prison at 6.30 A.M., and the other at the men's prison at 8 A.M. I hear confessions on Saturday evenings at 6 o'clock.

It is very gratifying to me to note the good results of the religious exercises. The poor people who are sent down here are to be pitied. My sympathy goes out to them. It is true they have their faults, otherwise they would not be down here — but who is without faults? It is true, also, that society must be preserved and discipline maintained, but it is also true that there is something good in every man. If you appeal to the good that is in him, you will get that good from him; uplift him and help him to become a good, safe member of society. If, on the contrary, you appeal to the bad in a man, then your motive is punitive and not reformatory; and when his time is up you send him back to society a worse and more dangerous man than when he entered your prison.

I submit, in conclusion, a few recommendations, which I trust will be received in the same spirit of kindness in which they are offered.

One is, that encouragement be given the Catholic officers, matrons and nurses to be present at divine service on Sundays and Holy days of obligation, for in doing so they not

only comply with the strict obligation of their faith, but their presence there will be to the edification and moral encouragement of their brethren.

The second is, that kindness and charity be mingled with discipline, for we must not forget that the prisoners of to-day may reform and become respectable citizens of to-morrow.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. SCANLAN, S.J.,  
*Chaplain of Catholic Inmates.*

REPORT OF PROTESTANT CHAPLAIN.

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DEER ISLAND,  
BOSTON HARBOR, February 1, 1907.

MR. JAMES R. GERRISH,

*Master of the House of Correction :*

DEAR SIR,— I have the honor of submitting the annual report of my work as Chaplain of the institution under your charge for the year ending January 31, 1907. I hold two services at Deer Island, one for the men and another for the women, each Sabbath. Through the week my time is occupied in attending to the spiritual welfare of male and female inmates of the institution. Each Wednesday morning I meet those who desire to interview the chaplain. At such times I receive requests to visit the families and friends of inmates, and many take the temperance pledge at these interviews. I am ever willing to help these men and women. I regularly visit the sick men and women in the hospital. The desire on the part of a large number of the inmates is to lead a better life, and I think that many that have taken the pledge and gone out are doing so. It is my earnest desire that this reform may increase and prove lasting. For the continuance of your support please accept my thanks.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM R. TOULMIN,  
*Chaplain.*

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